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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES TO RURAL LABOURERS
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Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware of the deteriorating conditions of Rural Labourers due to liberalisation which rendered them jobless;

(b) if so, the action taken by the Government to provide them employment opportunities;

(c) whether the Government have chalked out any plan to rehabilitate the affected labourers; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI SHARAD YADAV)

a) As per the Sample Surveys carried out by NSSO during 1993-94 and 1999-2000, no significant change was observed in the unemployment rates in the rural areas of the country.

b) to d) The approach to Tenth Plan focusses on providing gainful high quality employment to the additions to the labour force and it is listed as one of the monitorable objectives for the 10th Plan and beyond. The growth strategy of 10th Plan would lay emphasis on rapid growth of those sectors which are likely to create high quality employment opportunities and deal with the policy constraints which discourage growth of employment. Particular attention would be paid to the policy environment influencing a wide range of economic activities which have a large employment potential.